

## WEEKEND READING FOR THE PRESIDENT

April 18 - 19, 1970

REFER TO DOS

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#### USSR

DOS reviewed. Unclassified. Release in full

1. "Socialism is an Unworkable Idea," Interview with Anatoli Kuznetsov, Le Monde (Weekly Selection), April 8, 1970.

Anatoli Kuznetsov, the Soviet writer who defected to the West eight months ago, is interviewed in London by Le Monde's expert on Communist affairs, Michel Tatu. Kuznetsov has no doubts that he made the correct decision, even though some in the West have criticized him for abandoning his country. He is emphatically anti-Communist, and skeptical of the impact of the dissident movement in the USSR. (2 pp.)

#### MIDDLE EAST

2. Eric Rouleau, "The Meeting that Might Have Been," Le Monde (Weekly Selection), April 8, 1970.

An account of the abortive attempt of Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Jewish Congress, to establish informal contact with Nasser, by a Le Monde staff writer who was reported to have been involved in setting up the meeting. The danger, Rouleau concludes, is that the incident excludes for some time to come any possibility of working out an amicable settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict. (1 p.)

#### JAPAN

3. "Japan: Asian Bastion -- or Overlord?", Foreign Report (published by The Economist), April 2, 1970.

The Economist's analysts suggest that importunate pressure by the US to push Japan into the role of Asian leadership may be counter-productive. There are recurring signs that mistrust of Japan still survives in many parts of Asia; Japan's economic might, and the way it is used, have aroused particular apprehension. (3 pp.)

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CAMBODIA

4. "Between Pnom Penh and New York," Foreign Report (published by The Economist) April 2, 1970.

A brief discussion of the prospects for UN consideration of the Cambodian problem. Some at the UN are thinking back on the 1959 UN observer mission to Laos, which established a UN presence there over only muted Soviet objections. But a similar observer mission to Cambodia, or even a reactivation of the ICC, would probably be resisted strongly by the USSR. (3 pp.)

VIETNAM

5. Philip C. Clarke, "Vietnamization and the Saigon G. I. -- A Progress Report," manuscript, April 1970.

A correspondent of the Mutual Broadcasting System and the North American Newspaper Alliance has written a very encouraging report, intended for publication, on the progress of Vietnamization. His optimism is based not only on the statistics but also on his own extensive interviews with individual American and South Vietnamese soldiers in the field, and his own observation of the ARVN in action. (20 pp.)

YOUTH AND U.S. FOREIGN POLICY

6. Steven J. Kelman, "Youth and Foreign Policy," Foreign Affairs, April 1970.

A somewhat rambling but thoughtful statement of the viewpoint of an American student (a senior at Harvard) on the youth culture, ideological battles on the campus, and the difficulties which the student liberals face in constructing an alternative to radicalism. Among his more interesting observations is the one that student concern has shifted completely away from European affairs toward the problems of the underdeveloped world. (13 pp.)